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## Pennsylvania Goat Inventory

HARRISBURG, PA, Feb 4, 2008 - - Goat data provided in this report are results of the annual goat survey conducted at the beginning of the year. All goat inventories in Pennsylvania on January 1, 2008 totaled 53,000 head excluding angora goats according to the Pennsylvania Field Office of USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS).

Milk goats totaled 13,000 head, up 10 percent from January 1 of last year. In comparison with other states, Pennsylvania is now tied for 5<sup>th</sup> place for having the largest number of milk goats. There were 40,000 meat goats on January 1, 2008, up 5 percent from a year ago. Pennsylvania is currently ranked 13<sup>th</sup> for the largest number of meat goats in the United States.

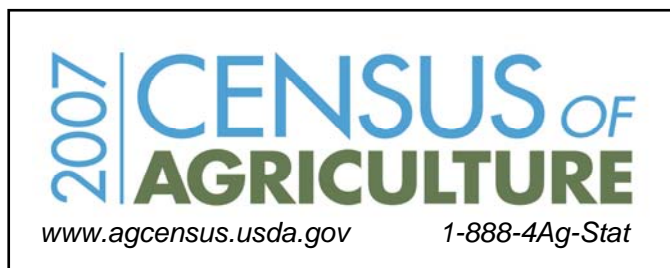
All goat inventories in the **United States** on January 1, 2008, totaled 3.02 million head. Breeding goat inventory totaled 2.50 million head and market goats totaled 520,000 million head. On January 1, 2008, meat and all other goats totaled 2.50 million head, milk goats totaled 305,000 head and angora goats totaled 210,000 head. The 2007 kid crop was 1.94 million head for all goats.

Mohair production in the United States during 2007 was 1.14 million pounds. Goats and kids clipped totaled 185,000 head. Average weight per clip was 6.2 pounds. Mohair price was \$3.78 per pound with a value of 4.31 million dollars.

Individual operation information is completely confidential by law. The National Agricultural Statistics Service safeguards the confidentiality of all survey responses. The data are only used in combination with reports from other farmers to prepare State and National statistics.

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